

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 3558 - SB 3574

March 1, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Broadens the Class A misdemeanor of harassment to include communicating by electronic means to another that a relative or other person has been injured, killed, or is ill when the communication is known to be false.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Revenue – Not Significant
Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

**Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant
Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant**

Assumptions:

- Expanding the definition of harassment to include other electronic means, rather than only by telephone, will result in a not significant increase in the number of misdemeanor cases.
- A small increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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